FISCAL NOTE

HB 2538 - SB 2662

January 14, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the grounds for which a court may waive mediation in divorce or separation cases involving domestic abuse.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

State Revenue – Net Impact – Not Significant State Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant

Local Gov't. Revenue – Net Impact – Not Significant Local Gov't. Expenditures – Net Impact – Not Significant

Assumption:

 A small decrease in mediation usage will result in a small increase in cases heard in the court system, which will impact state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. The net impact on these expenditures and revenues is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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